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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AF SEELYE, ACTING

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

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SUBJECT: RHODESIA CONFERENCE: MESSAGE TO YOU FROM
FOREIGN SECRETARY CROSLAND

1. BRITISH EMBASSY HAS GIVEN US FOLLOWING MESSAGE WHICH
THEY HAVE BEEN ASKED TO PASS TO YOU FROM FOREIGN SECRETARY
CROSLAND:

2. BEGIN TEXT. "IN THE LIGHT OF MOUNTING PRESSURES FOR
AN INDICATION FROM HMG THAT WE SHOULD BE READY TO PLAY
SOME DIRECT ROLE IN RHODESIA DURING THE INTERIM PERIOD
LEADING UP TO INDEPENDENCE, I HAVE DECIDED TO REPLY TO A
PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION, EITHER TOMORROW OR THE DAY AFTER,
TO THE EFFECT THAT WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO PLAY SUCH A
ROLE IF IT WERE THE GENERAL VIEW AT GENEVA THAT THIS WOULD
BE HELPFUL." END TEXT.

3. THE EMBASSY INDICATED THAT THIS MOVE, TO WHICH
CROSLAND'S CABINET COLLEAGUES AGREED LAST WEEK, IS DESIGNED
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TO REINFORCE BRITISH EFFORTS TO OBTAIN AN INTERIM GOVERN-

MENT MODELED AS CLOSELY AS THEY CAN GET IT TO THE STRUCTURE
OF ANNEX C.

4. THE EMBASSY SAID THE EARLIEST TIME AT WHICH SUCH
PRELIAMENTARY QUESTION WOULD BE ANSWERED, AND THE TEXT

MADE AVAILABLE PUBLICLY, WOULD BE AT 1600Z ON
DECEMBER 2.

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